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TO AMEMBASSY TOKYO FLASH

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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

FOR THE AMBASSADOR

1. PLEASE DELIVER IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM THE
PRESIDENT TO PRIMIN KAKUEI TANAKA. IF RECIPIENT NOT
AVAILABLE, DELIVER TO HIGHEST OFFICIAL AVAILABLE.

2. BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER: AS I ASSUME THE
OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, I WISH AS ONE
OF MY FIRST ACTS TO ASSURE YOU THAT I FULLY APPRECIATE THE
IMPORTANCE OF THE CLOSE TIES BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND
JAPAN AND TO LET YOU KNOW THAT IT WILL BE MY POLICY TO
ENSURE THAT THOSE TIES ARE MAINTAINED AND STRENGTHENED.
IN PARTICULAR, I WISH TO REAFFIRM OUR CONTINUED ADHERENCE
TO ALL OF THE TREATIES, AGREEMENTS AND UNDERSTANDINGS
WHICH HAVE BEEN REACHED BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

THE FOREIGN POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES IS SOUNDLY
BASED ON THE SUPPORT OF BOTH OUR MAJOR POLITICAL PARTIES.
THE PRINCIPLE OF CONTINUITY OF FOREIGN POLICY HAS DEEP ROOTS
IN THE TRADITIONS, INSTITUTIONS, AND NATIONAL INTERESTS OF

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AMERICA. OUR CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WITH JAPAN HAS BECOME AND

WILLCONTINUE TO BE THE KEYSTONE OF OUR POLICY IN THE

PACIFIC AREA. I AM CONFIDENT THAT THE MUTUALITY OF OUR INTERESTS AND OUR PARTNERSHIP IN SECURITY, DIPLOMATIC AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS GUARANTEES THAT OUR TWO COUNTRIES WILL CONTINUE TO WORK CLOSELY TOGETHER NOT ONLY TO STRENGTHEN OUR BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP BUT ALSO TO MAKE FURTHER CONTRIBUTIONS TO A STRUCTURE OF PEACE AND PROGRESS. IN THESE IMPORTANT ENDEAVORS, AS WELL AS IN OTHER AREAS, I WILL HAVE THE FIRM SUPPORT OF SECRETARY KISSINGER, IN WHOM I HAVE THE GREATEST CONFIDENCE. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD. END TEXT.

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